

IN THE CLAIMS

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1. (AMENDED) A method of communicating over an air interface comprising:

transmitting information over a shared wireless channel by varying ~~at least one of~~  
a time span ~~and a bandwidth~~ and at least one of a bandwidth and a duty cycle.

2. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 1, wherein the ~~at least one of~~ time span and  
~~bandwidth is~~ the at least one of a bandwidth and a duty cycle are varied as a function of  
a channel quality of a wireless receiver.
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3. (ORIGINAL) The method of Claim 2, wherein the channel quality comprises at  
least one of a signal to noise ratio, a bit error rate, a frame error rate and a power loss of a  
wireless link between the wireless receiver and a wireless transmitter.

4. (ORIGINAL) The method of Claim 2, wherein the channel quality comprises at  
least one of interference from information transmitted to at least one other wireless  
receiver, background noise and thermal noise.
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5. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 2 ~~1~~, further comprising the step of transmitting  
a signal corresponding with a transmission format having a time span and at least one of  
a bandwidth and a duty cycle to be employed ~~in~~ for the information to be transmitted.

6. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 5, wherein the signal comprises a bit sequence corresponding with at least one of the varied time span, ~~and~~ the varied bandwidth and the varied duty cycle.

7. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 6, wherein the transmitting a signal comprises:

determining the transmission format; and

recalculating the bandwidth of the transmission format if the time span is greater than an information payload to be transmitted divided by a data rate of the wireless receiver.

8. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 6 3, wherein the transmitting a signal comprises:

determining the transmission format; and

recalculating the duty cycle of the transmission format ~~using a duty cycle~~ if the time span is greater than an information payload to be transmitted divided by a data rate of the wireless receiver.

9. (ORIIGNAL) The method of Claim 8, wherein the duty cycle is determined by dividing the information payload by the product of the data rate and the time span.

10. (AMENDED) A method of communicating over an air interface comprising:

receiving information over a shared wireless channel by varying ~~at least one of a~~  
~~time span and a bandwidth~~ space and at least one of a bandwidth and a duty cycle.

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11. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 10, wherein the time span and the at least one  
of ~~time span and bandwidth is~~ a bandwidth and a duty cycle are varied as a function of a  
channel quality of a wireless receiver.

12. (ORIGINAL) The method of Claim 11, wherein the channel quality comprises at  
least one of a signal to noise ratio, a bit error rate, a frame error rate and a power loss of a  
wireless link between the wireless receiver and a wireless transmitter.

13. (ORIGINAL) The method of Claim 11, wherein the channel quality comprises at  
least one of interference from information transmitted to at least one other wireless  
receiver, background noise and thermal noise.

14. (AMENDED) The method of Claim ~~11~~ 10, further comprising the step of receiving  
a signal corresponding with a transmission format having a time space and at least of a  
bandwidth and a duty cycle to be employed ~~in~~ for the information to be transmitted.

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15. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 14, wherein the signal comprises a bit sequence corresponding with at least one of the varied time span, ~~and the varied bandwidth~~ and the varied duty cycle.

16. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 15, wherein the receiving a signal comprises:

determining the transmission format; and

recalculating the bandwidth of the transmission format if the time span is greater than an information payload to be transmitted divided by a data rate of the wireless receiver.

17. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 15, wherein the receiving a signal comprises:

determining the transmission format; and

recalculating the duty cycle of the transmission format using a duty cycle if the time span is greater than an information payload to be transmitted divided by a data rate of the wireless receiver.

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18. (ORIGINAL) The method of Claim 17, wherein the duty cycle is determined by dividing the information payload by the product of the data rate and the time span.

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19. (AMENDED) A method for allocating the resources of a wireless base station comprising:

AS allocating a shared wireless channel between at least two mobile communication devices by varying a time span and at least one of a ~~time span and~~ a bandwidth and a duty cycle for each downlink transmission in response to a channel quality of a wireless receiver.

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